

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE MANUEL J. BERKOS

The Honorable Manuel J. Berkos, former associate judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away.

Judge Berkos was born March 4, 1924, in Cicero, Illinois. He received his law degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law. Judge Berkos worked as a prosecutor before being elected justice of the peace. When the modern Cook County Circuit Court was formed through consolidation in 1964, he became an associate judge for the Fourth Judicial Circuit. After leaving the bench, he served in the private sector.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Berkos its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE MICHAEL A. BILANDIC**

The Honorable Michael A. Bilandic, former Chief Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court, passed away January 15, 2002.

Justice Bilandic was born February 13, 1923, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law. He began practicing law in Chicago in 1949. He was a member of the Chicago City Council from 1969 through 1976. He served as Mayor for the City of Chicago from 1976 until 1979. In 1984, he was elected a justice of the First District Appellate Court. In 1990, he was elected an Illinois Supreme Court Justice and subsequently served as Chief Justice from 1994 to 1997. He retired in 2000.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Justice Bilandic its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE ROBERT H. CHASE

The Honorable Robert H. Chase, former chief judge of the First Judicial Circuit, passed away November 6, 2001.

Judge Chase was born December 1, 1913, in Metropolis, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1938 and was admitted to the bar that same year. He was Massac County State's Attorney from 1940 through 1952 and served as a circuit judge in Massac County from 1970 through 1982, when he retired.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Chase its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE SAUL A. EPTON**

The Honorable Saul A. Epton, former associate judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away September 7, 2001.

Judge Epton was born July 17, 1910, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from The John Marshall Law School in 1932, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1942 - 1960, he served as a special assistant to the attorney general, an assistant attorney general, and was a member of the Illinois Civil Service Commission. In 1960, he was a judge in the Municipal Court of Chicago. From 1962 - 1963, he was a circuit judge in Cook County, and in 1964 he was appointed an associate judge where he remained until his retirement in 1976.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Epton its sincere expression of sympathy.

**RESOLUTION
IN MEMORY OF
THE HONORABLE CONRAD F. FLOETER**

The Honorable Conrad F. Floeter, former associate judge for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, passed away November 13, 2001.

Judge Floeter was born July 6, 1931, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from Loyola University School of Law in 1961, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1961-1974, he served on the Crystal Lake Zoning Board of Appeals and the McHenry County Board. He was appointed an associate judge for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit in 1975 and remained in that position until his retirement in 1996.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Floeter its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE JAMES C. FRANZ**

The Honorable James C. Franz, former associate judge for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, passed away July 7, 2002.

Judge Franz was born August 21, 1932 in Crystal Lake, Illinois. He received his law degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law in 1963 and was admitted to the bar that same year. He was appointed an associate judge for the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit in 1986 and remained in that position until his retirement.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Franz its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE MEYER H. GOLDSTEIN

The Honorable Meyer H. Goldstein, former magistrate in Cook County, passed away February 2, 2002.

Judge Goldstein was born December 27, 1907, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1931, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1945-1964, he worked as a Cook County Assistant State's Attorney. He was appointed magistrate for the Cook County Circuit Court in 1964 and remained in that position until his retirement in 1984.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Goldstein its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE STEWART C. HUTCHISON**

The Honorable Stewart C. Hutchison, former associate judge for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, passed away May 22, 2002.

Judge Hutchison was born February 29, 1912, in Joliet, Illinois. He received his law degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law in 1924 and was later admitted to the bar. He served as an Assistant Commissioner to the Illinois Commerce Commission from 1941 to 1949 and became a probate judge in Will County in 1954. He held that position until 1963 and then served as an associate judge for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit until his retirement in 1972.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Hutchison its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM B. KANE

The Honorable William B. Kane, former associate judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away October 23, 2001.

Judge Kane was born December 31, 1912, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1948, and was admitted to the bar in 1949. From 1959-1963, he served as Mayor for the City of Harvey, and from 1967-1968 he was Corporation Counsel for Harvey. He also worked as the Thornton Township Tax Collector. He was a Homewood Sheriff's Court Judge from 1944-1946, and Harvey Police Magistrate from 1943-1947 and again from 1951-1959. In 1968, he was appointed an associate judge for Cook County and remained in that position until his retirement in 1984.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Kane its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE MICHAEL J. KELLY**

The Honorable Michael J. Kelly, former circuit judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away May 16, 2002.

Judge Kelly was born January 18, 1944. He received his law degree from The John Marshall Law School in 1974 and was admitted to the bar that same year. He worked as an assistant corporation counsel from 1974 through 1978 and then worked in the private sector until 1984, when he served as an assistant attorney general. In 1988, Judge Kelly was elected to the Circuit Court of Cook County.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Kelly its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE ANTHONY J. KOGUT

The Honorable Anthony J. Kogut, former circuit judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away March 14, 2002.

Judge Kogut was born December 7, 1916, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from The John Marshall Law School in 1944, and was admitted to the bar that same year. He served as a State of Illinois Referee for the Department of Finance from 1951-1953. Before he was elected a cook county circuit judge in 1970, he served as an assistant judge and a magistrate of the Cook County Circuit Court. Judge Kogut retired in 1982 and continued to work in the private sector.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Kogut its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE ROBERT D. LAW**

The Honorable Robert D. Law, former associate judge for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, passed away February 14, 2002.

Judge Law was born June 12, 1922, in Freeport, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1954, and was admitted to the bar in 1955. From 1954-1970, he served as a state representative, an assistant attorney general and an assistant state's attorney. In 1970, he was appointed an associate judge for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit and he remained in that position until his retirement in 1978.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Law its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE MARTIN G. LUKEN

The Honorable Martin G. Luken, former circuit judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away February 24, 2002.

Judge Luken was born February 23, 1912, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from Northwestern University School of Law in 1940, and was admitted to the bar that same year. He worked in the private sector and served as a Cook County Assistant State's Attorney. In 1966 he was appointed an associate judge in the Circuit Court of Cook County. Judge Luken retired from the bench in 1984.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Luken its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE EDWARD McINTYRE**

The Honorable Edward McIntyre, former associate judge for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, passed away November 13, 2001.

Judge McIntyre was born September 23, 1918, in Polson, Montana. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1947, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1950-1977, he worked in the private sector, as a special assistant state's attorney and as a special assistant to the Illinois Attorney General. He was appointed an associate judge in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit in 1977 and he remained in that position until he retired in 1989.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge McIntyre its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE JAMES J. MEJDA

The Honorable James J. Mejda, former justice of the Illinois Appellate Court, passed away April 10, 2002.

Judge Mejda was born September 6, 1912, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1935, and was admitted to the bar that same year. He worked in the private sector until 1961, when he served as an assistant attorney general and chief of the legal department for the Illinois State Toll Highway Commission. In 1964, he was elected to the Cook County Circuit Court. In 1976, he was elected to the First District Appellate Court, where he served until 1985.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Mejda its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE DONALD J. O'BRIEN**

The Honorable Donald J. O'Brien, former circuit judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away December 16, 2001.

Judge O'Brien was born October 4, 1913, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1936, and was admitted to the bar that same year. He worked as an assistant corporation counsel for Chicago until 1950, when he was elected to the state senate. In 1964, he was elected a circuit judge and remained in that position until he retired in 1980.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge O'Brien its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM K. RICHARDSON

The Honorable William K. Richardson, former magistrate for the Ninth Judicial Circuit, passed away December 31, 2001.

Judge Richardson was born December 6, 1913, in Galesburg, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Michigan Law School in 1937, and was admitted to the bar that same year. He served as Knox County Circuit Court Clerk from 1943-1966, when he became magistrate for the Ninth Judicial Circuit. He remained in that position until his retirement in 1982.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Richardson its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE PAUL E. RILEY**

The Honorable Paul E. Riley, former U.S. District Judge and Madison County Circuit Judge, passed away October 11, 2001.

Judge Riley was born April 24, 1942, in Alton, Illinois. He received his law degree from St. Louis University School of Law in 1967, and was later admitted to the bar. He served as a Madison County Public Defender until 1985, and then served as a circuit judge in Madison County through 1994, when he was appointed to the federal bench. He retired in 1999.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Riley its sincere expression of sympathy.

**RESOLUTION
IN MEMORY OF
THE HONORABLE RAYMOND S. SARNOW**

The Honorable Raymond S. Sarnow, former circuit judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away October 29, 2001.

Judge Sarnow was born August 21, 1919, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from Northwestern University School of Law in 1945, and was admitted to the bar that same year. He served in the Appeals Division of the Illinois Attorney General's Office until 1964, when he was appointed magistrate for Cook County. In 1971, he was appointed an associate judge. In 1976, he was elected a circuit judge and remained in that position until his retirement in 1983.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Sarnow its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE RODNEY A. SCOTT**

The Honorable Rodney A. Scott, former circuit judge for the Sixth Judicial Circuit, passed away September 30, 2001.

Judge Scott was born March 11, 1915, in Monte Vista, Colorado. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1939, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1940-1944, he served as the Moultrie County State's Attorney. From 1946 until his retirement in 1994, he served as a judge in the Moultrie County Court and in the Sixth Judicial Circuit Court.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Scott its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE CARL SNEED

The Honorable Carl Sneed, former judge in Herrin, Illinois passed away April 24, 2002.

Judge Sneed was born in 1909. He served as a judge until 1951.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Sneed its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE PASQUALE A. SORRENTINO**

The Honorable Pasquale A. Sorrentino, former circuit judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away October 15, 2001.

Judge Sorrentino was born September 3, 1917, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1941, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1945-1959, he was assistant corporation counsel in Chicago. In 1959, he became an assistant to a Cook County Probate Court judge. In 1962, he became a judge in the Superior Court of Cook County. Beginning in 1964, and continuing until his retirement in 1990, he served as a Cook County Circuit Court Judge.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Sorrentino its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE LUCIA T. THOMAS

The Honorable Lucia T. Thomas, former circuit judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County, passed away July 7, 2002.

Judge Thomas was born in Cheyenne, Wyoming on March 10, 1917. She received her law degree from Robert H. Terrel Law School in 1940 and was admitted to the bar in 1942. From 1957 to 1969, she served as an assistant state's attorney for Cook County and an assistant corporation counsel for the City of Chicago. In 1977, she became a Cook County Circuit Court Judge and remained in that position until she retired in 1990.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Thomas its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE VIRGIL W. TIMPE**

The Honorable Virgil W. Timpe, former magistrate for the Eighth Judicial Circuit, passed away November 1, 2001.

Judge Timpe was born December 14, 1919, in Quincy, Illinois. He received his law degree from St. Louis University School of Law in 1948, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1953-1961, he served as the attorney for the City of Quincy. In 1965, he was appointed magistrate for the Eighth Judicial Circuit and an associate judge in 1971, a position he retained until his retirement in 1987.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Timpe its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION

IN MEMORY OF

THE HONORABLE ERNEST H. UTTER

The Honorable Ernest H. Utter, former circuit judge for the Eighth Judicial Circuit, passed away January 17, 2002.

Judge Utter was born June 30, 1925, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1950, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1954 until his retirement in 1980, he served as a Schuyler County judge, an associate judge, and a circuit judge in the Eighth Judicial Circuit.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Utter its sincere expression of sympathy.

RESOLUTION**IN MEMORY OF****THE HONORABLE JOHN A. WHITNEY**

The Honorable John A. Whitney, former associate judge for the Tenth Judicial Circuit, passed away January 17, 2002.

Judge Whitney was born October 10, 1921, in Peoria, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Michigan Law School in 1948, and was admitted to the bar in 1949. From 1965-1969, he served as the Peoria City Prosecutor. He was appointed magistrate for the Tenth Judicial Circuit in 1969. He became an associate judge in 1971, and remained in that position until his retirement in 1989.

The Illinois Judicial Conference extends to the family of Judge Whitney its sincere expression of sympathy.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRED JUDGES

Frances Barth was born in Chicago, Illinois, on August 29, 1937. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1962 and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Barth served as an assistant attorney general from 1963 through 1969 and then served as an assistant state's attorney until 1971. From 1971 through 1975, Judge Barth was legal advisor to the Cook County Board of Commissioners, where he served until he was appointed an associate judge in the Cook County Circuit Court. In 1988, he was elected a circuit judge and served in that position until 2000, when he began serving on the First District Appellate Court. He retired October 1, 2001.

Bruce Black was born May 16, 1944, in Peoria, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1971, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Immediately prior to becoming a judge, he was the Tazewell County State's Attorney, having previously served as an assistant state's attorney. In 1985, he joined the Tenth Judicial Circuit and became chief judge in 1999. Judge Black was named to serve a 14-year term as a federal bankruptcy judge for the Northern District of Illinois in 2001. He retired from the Tenth Judicial Circuit August 1, 2001.

Raymond A. Bolden was born December 17, 1933, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law and was admitted to the bar in 1962. Judge Bolden was appointed an associate judge in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit in 1986, and remained in that position until his retirement August 31, 2001.

J. David Bone was born in 1941 in Jacksonville, Illinois. He received his law degree from Stetson University College of Law in 1971 and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1971 to 1981, Judge Bone worked in the private sector, and also served part-time as an assistant state's attorney from 1972-74. In 1982, he was appointed to serve as an associate judge in the Seventh Judicial Circuit. In 1988, he was appointed a circuit judge, elected and retained in 1990 and retained in 1996 where he remained until his retirement July 2, 2002.

Charles W. Chapman was born in Granite City, Illinois, on February 18, 1942. He received his law degree from the St. Louis University School of Law in 1967, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Chapman worked in the private sector until he became an associate judge in the Third Judicial Circuit in 1979. He was appointed a circuit judge in 1980, and then subsequently elected in 1982. He remained in that position until he was elected a justice in the Fifth District Illinois Appellate Court in 1988. He retired August 31, 2001.

Robert B. Cochonour was born in Ada, Oklahoma on November 18, 1939. He received his law degree from the University of Florida Levin College of Law in 1966, and was later admitted to the bar. Immediately prior to becoming a judge in 1990 in the Fifth Judicial Circuit, he worked in the private sector and served as Cumberland County State's Attorney. He retired May 7, 2002.

Martin E. Conway, Jr. was born August 1, 1942 in Aledo, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Notre Dame Law School and was admitted to the bar in 1966. Judge Conway worked in the private sector until 1985, when he joined the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit Court. He remained in that position until his retirement January 4, 2002.

Donald C. Courson was born February 18, 1944 in Greensburg, Pennsylvania. He received his law degree from The John Marshall Law School and was admitted to the bar in 1970. From 1970 through 1979, Judge Courson served as an assistant state's attorney and as an assistant public defender while also working in the private sector. He then joined the Tenth Judicial Circuit Court as an associate judge in 1979. Judge Courson was appointed a circuit judge in 1982, subsequently elected in 1984 and remained in that position until his retirement November 30, 2001.

Thomas P. Durkin was born March 14, 1943, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from Loyola University School of Law in 1967, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Durkin served as an assistant state's attorney in Cook County from 1967-1969 and worked in the private sector until 1979. In 1979, he was appointed an associate judge in the Circuit Court of Cook County. He was elected a circuit judge in 1990, and he retained that position until his retirement August 6, 2001.

Stephen G. Evans was born September 18, 1946 in Columbus, Ohio. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law and was admitted to the bar in 1972. Judge Evans worked in the private sector, and in 1976 he was elected a circuit judge in the Ninth Judicial Circuit. From 1989 through 1991, and again from 1997 through 1999, Judge Evans served as the chief judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit. He retired September 19, 2001.

Marvin E. Gavin was born July 4, 1931, in Chicago Heights, Illinois. He received his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1955, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Gavin served as an assistant attorney general from 1956-1957 and worked in the private sector until 1968. He was general counsel for the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare from 1970-1980, when he was appointed to the Circuit Court of Cook County as an associate judge. He retired August 10, 2001.

Adrienne M. Geary was born November 16, 1941, in Chicago, Illinois. She received her law degree from The John Marshall Law School in 1986 and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Geary worked in the private sector until 1996, when she was elected to the Cook County Circuit Court. She remained in that position until her retirement November 30, 2001.

Leonard R. Grazian was born May 27, 1924, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from The John Marshall Law School in 1950, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Grazian worked in the private sector until 1978, when he was elected a judge in the Cook County Circuit Court. He retired December 31, 2001.

Albert Green was born in Chicago, Illinois on April 14, 1924. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1949, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Green worked in the private sector until he became a circuit judge in the Circuit Court of Cook County in 1976. He served in that position until his retirement October 31, 2001.

Robert P. Hennessey was born March 12, 1941, in Granite City, Illinois. He received his law degree at St. Louis University School of Law in 1968, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Hennessey served as an assistant state's attorney for Madison County from 1968 through 1989. In 1989, he joined the Third Judicial Circuit Court as an associate judge until his retirement December 31, 2001.

Ronald A. Himel was born March 14, 1941, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1966 and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1971 to 1972 and again from 1974 to 1983, Judge Himel worked in the private sector. He served as an assistant public defender from 1966 to 1971 and as an assistant state's attorney from 1972 to 1974. In 1984, he was appointed to the Circuit Court of Cook County as an associate judge and was elected as a circuit judge in 1992, where he served until his retirement on July 6, 2002.

Dennis M. Huber was born on February 13, 1947, in Hillsboro, Illinois. He received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1972 and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Huber worked in the private sector from 1972 to 1979, when he served as a public defender for Montgomery County. Since 1979, he has served as a circuit judge in the Fourth Judicial Circuit until his retirement July 17, 2002.

Aubrey F. Kaplan was born in Chicago, Illinois on October 9, 1926. He received his law degree from Northwestern University School of Law and was admitted to the bar in 1960. Judge Kaplan served as an assistant attorney general from 1961 through 1964, when he began working in the private sector. In 1968, he worked as an assistant corporation counsel for the City of Chicago, and then from 1968 through 1973, he was an assistant state's attorney. In 1973, he was appointed an associate judge in Cook County. He remained in that position until his retirement October 9, 2001.

Paul C. Komada was born March 18, 1942 in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law and was admitted to the bar in 1967. Immediately prior to becoming a judge, he served as the Coles County State's Attorney and also worked in the private sector. In 1980, Judge Komada joined the Fifth Judicial Circuit, where he remained until his retirement October 1, 2001.

Thaddeus L. Kowalski was born in Chicago, Illinois, on August 10, 1931. He received his law degree from Northwestern University School of Law in 1958, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Kowalski served in the private sector until 1969. He worked in the Office of the Cook County Public Defender from 1969 through 1980, when he joined the Cook County Circuit Court as an associate judge. He retired December 31, 2001.

E. Thomas Lang was born September 28, 1943 in Evanston, Illinois. He received his law degree from Loyola University School of Law in 1969, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Lang served in the private sector and as an assistant state's attorney in Lake County prior to joining the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit as an associate judge in 1981. He retired December 21, 2001.

Frank W. Meekins was born August 25, 1943 in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1967, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Meekins served in the private sector until he was appointed to the Cook County Circuit Court in 1979. He was subsequently assigned to various courts in Cook County. He was appointed supervising judge of the criminal division in 1994 and served in that position until his retirement on August 31, 2001.

Ronald B. Mehling was born in Chicago, Illinois on July 16, 1942. He received his law degree from Drake University Law School in 1966, and was admitted to the bar that same year. From 1966 to 1970 and again from 1970 to 1985, Judge Mehling worked in the private sector. From 1968 to 1970, he served as an assistant public defender for DuPage County. In 1985, he was

appointed to the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit as an associate judge. He was appointed a circuit judge in 1991, subsequently elected in 1992, and served in that position until his retirement on July 16, 2002.

Michael R. Morrison was born October 3, 1944, in Rockford, Illinois. He received his law degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law and was admitted to the bar in 1970. Judge Morrison served as an assistant city attorney for the City of Rockford until 1972, when he joined the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit as an associate judge. In 1996, he was elected a circuit judge and served as chief judge from 1998 through 1999. He retired December 31, 2001.

Joan M. Pucillo was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1941. She received her law degree from The John Marshall Law School in 1968, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Pucillo worked at the Argonne National Laboratory, Health and Hospital Governing Commission, and then joined the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board of Chicago prior to being appointed an associate judge in 1991. She served in that position until her retirement on July 6, 2002.

John W. Rapp, Jr. was born on December 12, 1940, in Oak Park, Illinois. He received his law degree from Loyola University School of Law in 1965, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Rapp worked at the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts as an assistant to the director from 1963 through 1965, and then worked in the private sector until 1970. He was elected an associate circuit judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit in 1970. In 1971, he was designated a full circuit judge, and subsequently served as chief judge from 1982 through 1998. In 1998, he was assigned to the Second District Illinois Appellate Court, where he served until his retirement on November 30, 2001.

S. Louis Rathje was born November 1, 1939, in Geneva, Illinois. He received his law degree from Northwestern University School of Law in 1964, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Rathje was elected a circuit judge in 1992 and elected an appellate justice in 1994. He was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1999, and served there until his term expired. He retired on November 1, 2001.

Gerald T. Rohrer was born on June 11, 1940, in Evanston, Illinois. He received his law degree from Loyola University School of Law in 1966, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Rohrer served in the private sector from 1966 through 1967 and from 1979 through 1981. He was the Cook County State's Attorney from 1967 through 1969, an assistant attorney general, and deputy chief from 1969 through 1979. In 1981, he was appointed an associate judge in the Cook County Circuit Court, and remained in that position until his retirement December 31, 2001.

Michael F. Sheehan, Jr. was born January 3, 1934, in Chicago, Illinois. He received his law degree from DePaul University College of Law in 1962, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Sheehan worked in the private sector until 1988, when he was appointed to the Cook County Circuit Court as an associate judge. He remained in that position until his retirement December 11, 2001.

David L. Underwood was born June 11, 1945, in Champaign, Illinois. He received his law degree from California Western School of Law in 1976, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Immediately prior to becoming a judge, he worked in the private sector. In 1978, he joined the Second Judicial Circuit as a circuit judge. Judge Underwood retired on July 2, 2002.

Willie M. Whiting was born June 5, 1924, in Chicago, Illinois. She received her law degree from The John Marshall Law School in 1950, and was admitted to the bar in 1951. Judge Whiting worked in the private sector until 1961, when she began working in the Cook County State's Attorney's office and later in the U.S. Attorney's Office. In 1966, she was appointed a Cook County magistrate. In 1971, Judge Whiting became an associate judge and in 1978 she was elected to the Cook County Circuit Court. She retired October 1, 2001.

W. Charles Witte was born in Chicago, Illinois on September 21, 1941. He received his law degree from the University of Baltimore School of Law in 1975, and was admitted to the bar that same year. Judge Witte worked in the private sector until 1978, when he joined the Eleventh Judicial Circuit as an associate judge. He became a circuit judge in 1988 and remained in that position until his retirement December 28, 2001.

2002 REPORT**NEW JUDGES**

Allen, James Jeffrey — Circuit Judge, 12th Judicial Circuit
Braud, Walter D. — Circuit Judge, 14th Judicial Circuit
Brewer, Eileen M. — Circuit Judge, Cook County
Chapman, Melissa A. — Appellate Judge, 5th Judicial District
Conway, James G., Jr. — Circuit Judge, 14th Judicial Circuit
Fawell, Blanche Hill — Associate Judge, 18th Judicial Circuit
Gainer, Thomas V., Jr. — Circuit Judge, Cook County
Gomora, Paula A. — Circuit Judge, 12th Judicial Circuit
Johnson, Moira S. — Circuit Judge, Cook County
Joyce, John F. — Associate Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Lawrence, Paul G. — Associate Judge, 11th Judicial Circuit
Lewis, David W. — Associate Judge, 5th Judicial Circuit
Long, Kelly D. — Circuit Judge, 4th Judicial Circuit
Love, Noreen V. — Circuit Judge, Cook County
Masters, Allan W. — Circuit Judge, Cook County
McGraw, Joseph G. — Circuit Judge, 17th Judicial Circuit
Nixon, Lewis — Circuit Judge, Cook County
Okrei, Roman R. — Circuit Judge, 12th Judicial Circuit
Peterson, Lance R. — Associate Judge, 13th Judicial Circuit
Potkonjak, Theodore S. — Associate Judge, 19th Judicial Circuit
Richardson, Marzell L., Jr. — Associate Judge, 12th Judicial Circuit
Shadid, James E. — Circuit Judge, 10th Judicial Circuit
Shick, Mitchell K. — Circuit Judge, 5th Judicial Circuit
Spence, Robert B. — Circuit Judge, 16th Judicial Circuit
Thanas, Thomas A. — Circuit Judge, 12th Judicial Circuit
Tognarelli, Richard L. — Associate Judge, 3rd Judicial Circuit
Washington, Edward II — Circuit Judge, Cook County
Wolfson, Lori M. — Circuit Judge, Cook County